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(Attorney Docket No. 05222.00161)

In re U.S. Patent Application of Nichols)

Application No. 09/868,664)

Filed: September 26, 2001)

For: A SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE)
OF MANUFACTURE FOR A RUNTIME)
PROGRAM ANALYSIS TOOL FOR A)
SIMULATION ENGINE)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed prior to examination. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19.0733.

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE TITLE: ✓

Please change the title to "A RUNTIME PROGRAM ANALYSIS TOOL FOR A SIMULATION

ENGINE".

REMARKS

The Applicant submits the change in title in order to be more succinct.

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Respectfully submitted,

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